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The Daily Republican.

THURSDAY, NOV. 21, 1893.

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

We have just returned from New York

with new prices on Rogers Bros' 1847

Knives. See us.

E. D. Bartholomew & Co.

It is now computed that Decatur's

population is nearly 13,000.

Now get reliable harness at J. W.

Tyler's. The prices are away down.

Another heavy rain today. Bad on

count not gathered.

All kinds of gent's wear at B. Stine's.

This new Cow Ford bridge will cost

\$3,570, not counting the piers.

Stenciling for the directory. Drop a

postal to the publishers.

Thomas Ward, aged 40, was buried

this forenoon in the Catholic cemetery.

Boys' channel waists at Stine's.

This Decatur Opera Orchestra will

furnish the music at the opening ball to

be given at the new opera house at Tay-

lorville to-morrow night.

Stenciling for the directory. Drop a

postal to the publishers.

It was Jackson McVoy and Ned Darius

that was assaulted by Mr. Hunt near

Boody, Nov. 21.

Ordnance coal, lump and nut,

from F. D. Caldwell.

Another day if H. H. Rosenkrantz sold

a town lot to M. T. Smith for

\$200. But it was a big lot having a

frontage of over 100 feet.

Chry Duncanson—Subscribe by dropping

a postal to the publishers, before

next Monday.

This Decatur hunters, bound for Gold-

ing Ark, left last evening over the Illi-

nois Central.

Frank Unruh will sell you reliable

family groceries at very low figures.

A stranger named Michael Connors,

lately arrived from Ireland, got drunk on

American bug juice yesterday, and this

forenoon Justice McGovern fined him \$3

and costs.

Caldwell can furnish you Decatur

coal on short notice.

Seaman reserved seats now for Pat

Boody at the opera house Thursday

evening.

Cat at Niedermeyer's on the Monm-

th for Decatur creamery butter, also family

groceries.

Do you "want to see" two men, step in

to Du's Bank.

It is stated that two hunters in the

vicinity of Kappa and the Markinaw for

some time past have been making from

\$75 to \$80 a week by trapping muskrat and

other game.

Wilson Bros' fine dress shirts for sale

at B. Stine's.

At Springfield local capitalists are

talking about starting a shoe factory.

They have their eyes on the Fair-

banks sewing machine factory.

Open your hard coal from F. D.

Caldwell, P. O. Box.

This week Mr. G. M. Wood, county

treasurer, is cleaning house at his office.

Mr. Wood had dust to sell yesterday.

The auditorium is in possession of the

city today.

Buy your hard coal at Martin's.

Nov. 21.

This ball given by the Decatur Drymen

last night for the benefit of their brother

dryman, William Dietz, who has been ill

for several weeks, proved to be a big suc-

cess, the net proceeds footing up about

\$125. Socially the affair was also a suc-

cess. The attendance was large.

Hard and Soft Coal at Martin's.

Nov. 21.

Call at G. B. Prosser's and see those

celebrated Haines Bros. pianos before

purchasing elsewhere. They have no

equals.

Ladies' cotton and knit underwear at

Nice Watson's.

The new night "The Fan-Keeper and

the Monkey" will be the wind-up fare at

the Pat Boody entertainment. Pat Boody

himself on having the best specialty com-

bination on the road, and he is always

correct. His little daughter, Kate, is

OWEN RONEY AGAIN.

Attempted Robbery in the Fourth Ward.

Roney is in Jail.

Owen Roney, who lately served a term

in Joliet for robbery committed near

Peoria, is in the city again.

The fact that the notorious Owen was here,

was made public by a call for the police

officers yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock

to visit the home of Mrs. Mary Sarby, a

widow woman having a child five years

old, who lives in a small house on South

Broadway, north of Malone street. Mrs.

Sarby made complaint that Owen Roney

and his companion, William Skelly, had

attempted to rob her, and also threatened

to kill her if she refused to disgorge the

sum demanded by the two men. Officers

Brewer and Hartley responded to the

call for aid, and they succeeded in cap-

turing Skelly, but the sick Roney, who

has figured in innumerable scrapes in this

vicinity, managed to get away.

This forenoon Mrs. Sarby told her story

to State's Attorney Jones, and a state

warrant was sworn out for the arrest of

Roney and Skelly, charging both with

attempted highway robbery. Justice

Lowry continued the examination of

Skelly until the 26th, and fixed his bond

at \$300.

Mrs. Sarby's story in substance is to

this effect: Yesterday afternoon she was

in her kitchen at her home attending to

her duties, when Roney and Skelly enter-

ed the house through the front door and

came into the kitchen, talking loudly as

they came. She says Skelly first de-

manded that she give him 50 cents, and

then Roney, with an oath, said if she

didn't give him a dollar he would beat

her and cut her throat. The woman re-

fused to give the man money and told

them to go away—who didn't know them,

and didn't want them in her house. For

a reply Roney caught Mrs. Sarby by the

arm and struck at her with his clenched

flat, but missed her, his knuckles striking

against the jam of a door. Then Mrs. Sarby

opened the door and the two men were

followed by the two men who kept on

threatening to kill her. Mrs. Sarby went

a little way up town to bring the police,

and soon afterwards she managed to get

away herself. She came up town after

the officers, but when they arrived at the

scene only Skelly could be found.

RONEY CAPTURED.

Roney will probably take another trip

for his health. He was caught by Officer

Hartley, near the water works this noon,

and he is now in jail. Roney has a hard

time of it keeping out of the clutches of

the officers. He has been in Decatur

about a month, and has been at work on

the new water main. Both Roney and

Skelly were under the influence of liquor

when they visited Mrs. Sarby. Mrs. S.

lately lived in the Bickerts property on

North Main street.

Concert Postponed.

Owing to the illness of two or three

of the singers the Baptist concert which

was to have been given at the church

Thursday evening has been postponed

indefinitely. The time of giving the

entertainment will be duly announced

hereafter.

Country Clerk Harky has commenced

working today to get his 17 tax books

ready for delivery on time. Nearly all of

them will be ready to hand over to the

collectors during the first week in De-

cember. The books are kept neatly and

are reliable all the way through.

The Pension Board met promptly at

9 o'clock this morning, but owing to the

absence of one of the members nothing

was done for some time, though there

were applicants ready waiting to be ex-

amined. The board had 12 orders re-

turned, but only a few of the 12 appli-

cants for examination put in an appear-

ance.

They Can Dance.

Going home last night a reporter was

accompanied by a friend who wanted to know

the cause of the music in Guards' Armory.

"A ball is in progress there," answered

A Move in the Right Direction.

We understand that a movement is to

be made to form a stock company to

operate the Decatur Woolen Mills under

the management of Mr. George VanHise

who has been connected with the man-

agement for the past two years. Mr.

VanHise is so much pleased with Decatur

and its future prospects as a manu-

facturing centre, and so confident that

the Woolen Mills can be made as an in-

corporated company, a good paying stock,

that he feels disposed to remain here and

endeavor to organize it, inasmuch as the

present owners of the property have de-

termined to retire from the active opera-

tion of the mills on their own account.

This is an excellent move and we trust it

may meet the hearty co-operation of our

citizens who are willing to foster and

encourage those enterprises which have

made our city what it is.

The Literary Entertainment.

The popularity of Mr. William Hawley

Smith, editor of the Peoria Call, as a

reader in this community was amply at-

tested last evening by the very large audi-

ence which greeted him at the opera

house on the occasion of his second ap-

pearance in Decatur, when he gave a

highly entertaining reading for the ben-

efit of the high school piano fund. Mr.

Smith is a gifted elocutionist, whose man-

ner is at once engaging and pleasing,

while his facial expressions and gestures

give force to his selections are simply

indescribable. His closing piece, which

sent his appreciative audience home with

the jingle, "Punch, brothers, punch with

care," ringing in their ears, was one of

the best of the evening. Below we give

the list of selections as given by Mr.

Smith:

Chorus—"See the Conquering Hero

Comes," by nine young ladies of the high

school, Miss Redfield accompanying.

Readings—"How the Old Horse Won

the Bet," "Fritz's Opinion of His First

Baby," a sketch—"Scott's Mother Putting

Children to Sleep," a western sketch from

a yellow-back—"The Rat," "The Con-

tribution Box," closing the first part

with a burlesque operatic selection.

Music—"On the Wings," by

Miss Annie Griswold and Fannie Ehr-

man, with Charles Denton as accom-

panist.

Readings—"The Story of the Little

Red Hen," "Stanley Tim's Trouble," "Ap-

peal to the Sexton for Pure Air," "The

Banishment of Rip," from the second act

of the play of "The Van Winkle," conclud-

ing with Mark Twain's jingling sketch,

"Punch, brothers, punch with care, punch

in the presence of the passengers."

Corby Held to Bail.

John Corby, the young man arrested

Saturday evening for knocking his step-

mother down with a chair and breaking

her arm, was brought before Justice

McGovern yesterday afternoon to answer

to the serious charge of an assault with

intent to do bodily injury. The people

had eight persons in readiness to detail

the circumstances of the brutal assault,

but after the injured lady told her story

of the occurrence, Corby waived an ex-

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A TRIP TO FLORIDA.

Thanks for the Way, as Soon by a Decatur Lady.

(GAINESVILLE, Fla., Nov. 17, 1883.)

ESS. REPUBLICAN--Thinking of your invitation to write and the promise I made several friends of telling them how I like Florida, I will try and answer a few questions in your paper. We left Decatur Oct. 30 for the sunny south. It was a delightful day and we enjoyed the pleasant ride and reached Indiantown at 6 p. m. Changed cars for Louisville, where we arrived at 11 p. m. We put up at the Alexander house, where we found good accommodations. Next morning at 8 we visited the great exposition, and as our time was limited I can only give a poor report of its contents. In the short time of three hours we hurried around and saw many curiosities from all over the Union. Particularly interesting to me was the exhibit of the Florida corner. There was a grand show of all kinds of grain, fruits and flowers, specimens of wood and many other things. At the grand show of oranges on Florida day, the 18th of Oct., they gave away an orange to each of the thousands of visitors who were there. The commissioners told us that Alachua county was ahead of all the other counties in sending samples for exhibition. The exhibit from Kansas was fine, and the manufacture of wool, fax and cotton on the different machines, from the spinning to the weaving of different grades of cloth. The exhibition in the art gallery was very good, and the specimens of tools and war trophies from Alaska were strange and curious. At 12:30 p. m. we took cars for Nashville, sped through a pretty country, reached Bowling Green, Ky., at 4:50 a. m., where waiting coaches were soon filled with passengers to the noted Mammoth Cave, 7 miles away. On, on we came enjoying the view till night fell and in we laid down to sleep and rest. Thursday morning, Nov. 1st, we entered Chattanooga, glad to stop for two hours. We took a long walk through the city and out towards the grand old beautiful Lookout Mountain of historic fame. Ah, how quiet and prosperous now where a few years ago was carnage and desolation. At 8 a. m. we were in cars and rode through a picturesque country, and reached the beautiful and hilly city of Atlanta at 2:30, where we changed cars for Macon. On we rode through a hilly and monotonous country--reached Macon at 10:30 p. m. and changed cars for Way Cross, but our train consumed so much time in getting wood and water that when we arrived at Way Cross Friday morning at 6:30 our train was behind time and had to wait till 1:30 p. m.; but a nice party of us enjoyed the change and a stroll in the woods near by and a breath of the odoriferous pines was truly refreshing, after which we took in the town and saw many curiosities. One was a genuine house where the raw cotton was thrown in one side and on the opposite came out long white samples free of seed. Here, too, we saw the duckies come to town, riding their one mule before a cart containing cotton and sugar cane. As we had several gentlemen and a young lady teacher, a Florida, in our party, we got well posted with the manners, customs, etc., of the south. At 1:30 we took cars for Calhoun and arrived there at 1:30, but the Transit cars had gone, so we rode into Jacksonville, arriving there at 6 p. m. Next morning we took in the town and saw many curiosities. Among them an eagle and large black bear, all from Florida, and many alligators, large and small, and alligator jewelry in pretty sets, and the most beautiful sight on every side was the brilliant orange trees filled with yellow fruit. We took a boat ride across the St. Johns and visited Mr. Hadden's fine large orange grove filled with tempting fruit; there is where we had the pleasure of picking and eating our first Florida oranges. We left Jacksonville at 1:30 p. m., and after passing through a flat country nearly covered with tall pines and scrub palmettos we went through several thickly wooded little towns. The first that looked particularly charming was Lantys, settled in 1877 by a colony from Chicago. The place presents to the visitor a succession of well tiled fields and groves, and unobscured farm houses; every house is surrounded by beautiful orange trees in different sizes and age, and the number of trees in that community on the way to maturity is estimated to be about forty thousand. Starke and Waldo were the next lovely towns. Everything looked so welcome and inviting, I thought it would be a good place to locate for happy homes. After a short stop on we came and steamed into Gainesville, at 5:30 p. m., where we met a glad welcome from Mr. H. and very thankful that our long journey was ended. "Home at last." Another thing I wish to speak of, we made the acquaintance of fine people from Maine, Boston, Ohio, Michigan, Virginia, and Chicago, Ill., all seeking homes in the far famed land of fruits, flowers, pretty lakes and orange groves. Yes I like Florida; not two weeks in the state yet, and have only a small portion of its area. I have seen enough to know that anyone with health, pluck and industry can make a comfortable home, educate their children and amass competence for old age. Gainesville is a quiet, pretty town filled with orange groves in different stages. There are four white churches, besides two or three colored, and plenty of schools. Besides the East Florida seminary. Mr. Eastman's private school with kindergarten department has a flattering name. There are also 2 or 3 other schools. A party of us went out about three miles east of town to Oak Ridge, a little farm of 25 acres that Mr. H. bought last June, and was pleased to see such

a fine piece of cleared ground, where we expect to have a large grove and peach nursery set out in the near future. We eat our lunch under the shade of the old majestic oaks, and picked sweet and sour oranges and drank clear, cool water from a spring near by, and thought of friends at the north. How we should enjoy giving a treat of the delicious fruit. After getting rested we started for Newnan's lake and Mr. Robinson's large grove. Again we rode through the pine woods with long garlands of moss hanging down. Soon we came to the famed orange grove. No wonder northern people feel a craze when they behold such a sight; nearly every tree filled with the yellow and green fruit, large clusters of five to seven weighing down the branches. We alighted from our carriage near the shore of the broad sheet of clear, quiet water. The ladies of our party found moss seats while Mr. H. and Dr. Passo went further on in search of alligators. Soon we heard the report of the doctor's gun, and heard the hollow of the ugly beast. We saw several of them from our seats, while from a point in the lake the gentleman counted fifty basking in the sun. Several well aimed shots made a number of them tumble about quite lively and got out of the way, but whether any shot proved fatal we were unable to say. On our way back we saw one huge fellow lying on the bank of a small pond. A well directed shot by the doctor from a Colt's navy revolver awakened the beast from his slumbers, and he made quick time to seek a hiding place, floundering around as though it was not a very pleasing welcome from his northern visitors.

But my letter is getting too long already, and I will wait till my next to tell further of pleasant sights, and agreeable citizens and the surroundings I have met and seen.

Mrs. H. B. HARRIS.

That Doughty Duchess.

Opposite Opinions About a Wonderful Woman--Hot Thumb and Fingers.

"Clack clack with her fingers. Why, you can't mean it!" cried a young lady graduate of the Normal School, in the utmost astonishment.

"But I do mean it," affirmed her big brother, who had taken several prizes in the normal.

"I repeat it," cried the young lady, who had taken several prizes in the normal.

"What a monstrous woman!" said the young lady, who had taken several prizes in the normal.

"The Austrian Duchess was rightly because she kept good hours, good habits and perfect health."

Mrs. Alice Strong, of Pittsburg, Pa., writes a different story about the Duchess. She says: "I have just three years I have been subject to severe rheumatism, sciatica and neuralgia, and I have been unable to do my work."

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